Mountain Weather Forecast

South Grampian and Southeast Highlands

Including South and East Cairngorms National Park, Aberdeenshire and Angus Hills, Ben Vrackie, Ben Lawers, Loch Tay and Ochils
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Saturday 06 May 2023 until 23:59 on Sunday 07 May 2023

Forecast Issued on Saturday 06 May 2023 at 02:30 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for changeable weather to continue over the weekend and early next week, but low confidence for daily detail.

Headline for Saturday 06 May 2023: Dull and misty with rain or drizzle at times, widespread hill fog

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 06 May 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
High Likelihood

Thunderstorms
Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
	FOG	FOG	FOG	FOG	FOG
Drizzle	Fog	Fog	Fog	Fog	Fog
Precipitation probability					
20%	20%	40%	40%	40%	20%

Forecast for Saturday 06 May 2023

Weather: Much of the region will see a lot of low cloud, mist and drizzle throughout the day. However becoming brighter over western Perthshire hills and the Ochils by afternoon. However this will allow scattered heavy showers to break out, with the risk of thunder and hail, but these dying out in the evening. Cloud may also break by afternoon around Lochnagar.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: Little chance at first, but improving to 50% across Upper Deeside and the southwest of the area in the afternoon

Low Cloud and visibility: Widely poor in extensive cloud down to 200 to 500 metres. This likely to lift to 700 to 900 metres across the Ochils and more western and southern Perthshire hills in the afternoon. Ben Lawers best favoured for any breaks in the cloud sheet.

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Forecast for Saturday 06 May 2023

Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	17/21 SE	20/25 SE	22/29 SE	21/27 SE	22/29 SE	20/27 SE	18/24 SE
900	13/17 SE	14/19 SE	17/24 SE	17/23 SE	16/23 SE	12/19 SE	13/19 SE
600	8/14 SE	9/16 SE	12/20 SE	13/21 SE	9/17 SE	6/13 SE	7/13 SE
300	4/8 E	6/11 E	8/16 E	8/14 E	7/13 E	6/13 E	6/11 E
Glen	5/8 E	6/11 E	7/15 E	8/15 E	7/12 E	6/11 E	5/10 E

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	6/1	5/0	5/0	6/1	5/0	5/-0	5/0
900	6/3	6/3	7/3	8/4	7/3	6/2	6/2
600	8/5	8/6	9/7	9/7	8/6	7/6	7/5
300	7/6	9/8	11/9	11/9	9/7	8/6	7/6
Glen	7/6	9/8	11/9	10/8	9/7	8/6	8/6
Freezing Level*	1900m	1900m	1900m	1900m	1900m	1900m	1900m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Note brisk winds and cold temperatures on the highest tops.

Forecast for Sunday 07 May 2023
Weather: Widespread low cloud with a little light rain or drizzle likely to persist for much of the day across Angus and the southern Cairngorms. However, drier and much brighter weather may develop across the south of the area along with Upper Deeside during the afternoon, and extend to remaining areas by evening.

Maximum wind: Southerly 15 mph

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 20% at first, becoming 60% by late afternoon. Best chance in the south of the area across the more southern Perthshire hills and Ochils

Low Cloud and visibility: Poor in widespread cloud down to 200 to 500 metres, this slowly clearing from the west in the afternoon but much uncertainty in timing at this stage.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 8 rising to 14 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 8 Celsius
Freezing level: Above summits

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